

The Board of Selectmen held a meeting on Thursday, February 14, 2013 beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Main Meeting Room of the Town Hall. The following members were present.

Eric Kraus, Chairman  
Michael Berry, Vice Chairman  
Mark Gallivan , Clerk  
Christopher Timson  
Nancy Mackenzie

Also Present:  
Michael Boynton, Town Administrator  
Cindy Berube, Executive Assistant

Mr. Kraus called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PROCLAMATIONS**

Mr. Kraus read a letter into the record thanking the staff for their hard work getting schools, roads and sidewalks back in business. The Police and Fire and all departments and Emergency Operations Director Roger Turner. Thank everyone involved and his staff for a job well done. We are proud of the job well done.

Mr. Timson had stopped by the EOC, and did not realize some staff slept here at Town Hall overnight. He felt the staff was really putting in the effort. Three Folks that never closed an eye, Scott, Steve Smith and Sean.

Mr. Boynton explained some residents were not happy but most were happy and made a phone call to thank the town. The guys did a fabulous job. He was pleased with the Governor closing the streets on Friday which made the job of plowing easier. It was dangerous. You need to look no further than what happened in Long Island NY. That could have happened here.

#### **SPONSORED AGENDA ITEMS**

##### **2-11 Proclamation**

MOTION Moved by Mr. Berry to sign the proclamation for Marlene Bristol Girvan, seconded by Mrs. Mackenzie, VOTED 5-0-0

##### **2-12 Fancy That**

Sarah and Brad run a small retail shop and they sell Tea and items related to tea. They would like to have Tea and work with local caterers to serve food. Mrs. Mackenzie feels it is a great idea. She has been in the store and believes it will be great.

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MOTION moved by Mr. Berry to approve the Common Victualler's license for "Fancy That" at 272 Main Street, seconded by Mrs. Mackenzie, VOTED 5-0-0

2-13 Coffee Perch, Common Victualler's

MOTION moved by Mr. Berry to approve an entertainment license for Coffee Perch Inc. for music from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. subject to the occupancy not exceeding 37 persons. Seconded by Mrs. Mackenzie VOTED 5-0-0

2-14 Linda Connors, A. Farm

Mr. Connors grew up and lived in Walpole. I have a great interest in Adams Farm. She walk there 3 times a week and would like to see it preserved. Dave Lehto is her brother.

MOTION moved by Mr. Berry to appoint Linda Connors to the A. Farm Committee as a Regular member for a term to expire on April 1, 2016, seconded by Mrs. Mackenzie VOTED 5-0-0

2-15 Change in Manager, Applebee's

Ashley explained she is currently the assistance to the General Manager. Mr. Timson spoke of the recent violation at Applebee's for serving an underage drinker. We are active in not serving to minors. Hope if you have any interest in that you would be happy to participate in the Coalition for Alcohol and Drug Awareness. She explained they are trying to help that there is no underage serving. All Servers are TIP Certified

MOTION moved by Mr. Berry to approve the Change in Manager from Gerald Mallraff, Jr. To Ashley Ann Tougas for Applebee's, seconded by Mrs. Mackenzie, VOTED 5-0-0

2-18 Spring Town Meeting Warrant

There was a meeting regarding the adding of two additional articles for Common Victualler's all Alcohol licenses. Mike Berry has done a lot of work on this. Mr. Berry spoke of the private petition on the warrant seeking for a Beer and Wine package store license, as we did not have any more we would need the legislators to approve. Beneficial to all of us to combine our efforts to seek additional licenses. What this does is there would be one Wine and Malt package store license for E. Walpole Parking Overlay District and two for E. Walpole and Route One area. It does not flood the downtown with another restaurant. Route one is a place that has a lot of potential, we hope in the next few years. Pull off and withdraw the petition of the business owners and move forward with the joint article.

Mr. Timson thought it was great idea if the town wants to further growth. He questioned why they would limit the location of the 2 all alcoholic licenses. If a restaurant option comes up in another location. While competition is good, there are other areas to bring business. Mr. Kraus agrees you have to make it attractive for a business coming in.

Mr. Boynton noted they could have a potential for oversaturation in the downtown. Mr. Timson is concerned it is going to be a negative push if it is not limited to Route one, rather allow it whether it worthy. Mr. Boynton noted there are sections of Route one that might be attractive to some businesses.

It was agreed by the Board to keep one all alcoholic for the E. Walpole/Route one area and one for any other area in town.

MOTION moved by Mr. Berry to open the spring town meeting warrant, seconded by Mrs. Mackenzie, VOTED 5-0-0

MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus to adopt and sign the T. Meeting warrant that removes the citizens petition article and in its place add an article seeking one addition wine and malt package store license and two additional All Alcoholic Common Victualler's licenses one for E. Walpole and Route one subject to receiving the letter in writing from the petitioner removing his article, seconded by Mr. Gallivan VOTED 5-0-0

MOTION moved by Mrs. Mackenzie to close and sign the Spring Town Meeting Warrant, seconded by Mr. Kraus, VOTED 5-0-0

### 7:30 **OPEN FORUM**

Mr. Taylor spoke to the Board about the lack of need for another new fire truck in his opinion. He noted the new one is only a two seater and did not see the need. Mr. Boynton noted that Mr. Taylor is opposed to the purchase of the fire truck. If he has specific questions, Mr. Kraus advised him to speak directly to Chief Bailey. Mr. Kraus told him if he puts his questions in writing, he will get the information for him.

### 2-19 **JWCW, A Frame**

MOTION moved by Mrs. Mackenzie to approve the request to place an A-Frame on the Common from February 25 to March 11, seconded by Mr. Berry, VOTED 5-0-0

### 2-20 **Insurance Benefits Rules and Regulations**

The last time this plan was adopted was in 2003 we no longer have compensated part time officials. Remaining sections are just cleaning up. Keeping up with State statute.

MOTION moved by Mr. Timson to approve the amended Insurance Benefits Rules and Regulations, seconded by Mr. Gallivan VOTED 4-0-1 (Mrs. Mackenzie abstained)

### 2-21 **Gift Acceptance**

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MOTION moved by Mrs. Mackenzie to accept the gift from N.E. Patriots Foundation for 1,000.00 for Health Department, seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 5-0-0

2-22 Parade Permit, St Patrick's Day

MOTION moved by Mrs. Mackenzie to approve the Parade for Friends of St. Patrick on March 15, 2013 starting at 11:15, seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 5-0-0

Emergency Declaration, Blizzard 2013

To affirm Emergency Declaration hereby declared that as of 12:00 P.M. on Friday, February 8, 2013 a state of emergency exists in the Town of Walpole and was removed on Saturday February 9, 2013 at 4pm, seconded by Mr. Gallivan VOTED 5-0-0

Town Administrator's Update

Mr. Boynton reviewed the projected costs for snow removal from this storm. Talked about the obstruction in the road bylaw which did not pass. There is damage to a truck from a basketball net that was left in the road. When the crews came back Friday that was straight time. Then went on overtime after 3 p.m. We are still doing sidewalks. We need to start looking at some of the capital purchases. Our sidewalk plows are \$145,000 a piece our newest one is over twenty years old. He explained the hours the DPW crew worked. Not only did they do a great job but they will be rested.

Mr. Timson suggested investigating whether the town could lease sidewalk plows since they are only needed for half the year. Mr. Boynton stated vendors do not keep them on hand and do not lease.

Mr. Boynton is researching the price of a snow fighter truck. We came close to our capacity.

EOC operations went very well. He started it at noon time on Sunday February 10<sup>th</sup> and let everyone go home around 10 a.m. the next day. There were very few calls and no one used the shelter.

There was discussion as to whether contractors do the side streets? Mr. Boynton explained they do the side streets and Route 1 and 1A are plowed by the state with the exception of the downtown. We assign Town crews and contractors on side streets. We had 29 town trucks, off 1A, A-1 paving handles that area. This storm we check on contractor work. If a piece of equipment breaks down. The rates paid are based on the type of equipment that is used. They try to evenly disperse equipment around town

Deerfield Drive- Ask the Board to put this on the Agenda sometime in March. They were intended to be a public way, by it being a private way it makes it difficult to make it public way.

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These streets did not have money left in the bonds. We have talked about addressing the issue. We need to finally address this. Other streets that should become public ways, but what do we need to do to get there. What requirements do we want to put on these roads to make them public. We will put this on for a discussion., this needs to be talked about.

Norfolk County Regional Veterans Services Discussion- will take place on February 21. J. Cogan will be part of this conversation.

Proposed MHR/JD 40B “Design Review” – it is a staff meeting at Town Hall. This is the former Verrochi land.

Maguire Group Roundtable- Meeting will be held on February 26 at Town Hall at 7pm.

**Old Business**

Update on Medical marijuana we voted last time to have Robin put together a position paper and she has circulated a draft. I had some input and the Chief did, that is coming along. If anyone wants to see it, we can get that from Robin.

MOTION moved by Mr. Timson to adjourn at 8:30pm seconded by Mr. Gallivan,  
VOTED 5-0-0